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SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE

1. FOLLOWING PRESS GUIDANCE HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR USE ON
AN IF-ASKED BASIS AT AUGUST 22 NOON PRESS BRIEFING.

2. QUOTE: Q. WHAT CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT THREE AMERICANS
WHO ESCAPED FROM BOLIVIA TO PARAGUAY?

A. I CAN CONFIRM THAT ON AUGUST 17 THREE AMERICAN CITIZENS
ESCAPED FROM A JAIL IN SANTA CRUZ, BOLIVIA AND MADE THEIR
WAY TO PARAGUAY. THE THREE HAD BEEN SERVING SENTENCES
FOR DRUG RELATED OFFENSES IN BOLIVIA. THEY ARE NOW IN THE
CUSTODY OF PARAGUAYAN AUTHORITIES. WE ARE IN CONTACT WITH
BOTH GOVERNMENTS REGARDING THEIR STATUS.

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Q. ARE WE TRYING TO GET THEM TO THE UNITED STATES, OR WILL
THEY GO BACK TO BOLIVIA?

A. THAT IS THE MATTER THE GOVERNMENTS INVOLVED ARE TRYING
TO RESOLVE.

Q. DON'T WE HAVE A NEW PRISONER EXCHANGE TREATY WITH

BOLIVIA? WOULD THESE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN EXCHANGED UNDER THAT
TREATY?

A. WE DO HAVE SUCH A TREATY. IT ENTERED INTO FORCE ON
AUGUST 17. I WILL TAKE YOUR QUESTION AS TO WHETHER THESE
PEOPLE WOULD HAVE BEEN EXCHANGED. END QUOTE. CHRISTOPHER

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